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Potential for Spring Flooding

Superior, MT – Due to warmer temperatures across much of western Montana recently, there is an increased potential for flooding.

Damaging floods caused by spring melt and warmer temperatures are a fact of life along many Montana rivers and streams. Mineral County would like to remind residents about the importance of being prepared.

If you live near a river or stream, purchase flood insurance, most standard homeowner's insurance doesn't cover flooding. Most flood insurance policies take 30 days to take effect. Always remember to have an evacuation plan for you and your family. It's important to keep extra drinking water stored, as flooding can compromise local water systems. Always be ready to transport or elevate valuables.

The Mineral County Floodplain Administrator, states that it is important that residents, living near a river or stream, monitor conditions and notify local authorities immediately if flooding occurs. Never drive through floodwaters and always remember, Turn Around, Don't Drown!

Please contact the Mineral County Floodplain Administrator, Andy Short, for more information on emergency floodplain permits, general floodplain permitting, local floodplain regulations, or if you live in a high-risk flood zone.

Additional information is available at www.floodrisk.mt.gov. For more information about flood insurance in Montana, visit the Commissioner of Securities and Insurance website at www.csimt.gov/your-insurance/flood or call (406) 444-2040.